

## UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

## NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

## FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT BRANCH

Washington, D.C. 20570

## Via email

September 21, 2023

Re: FOIA Request NLRB-2023-002144

Dear Bob Acosta:

This is in response to your request, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, received on September 11, 2023, in which you seek "a complete and full file regarding Case Number: 05-CA-297466

03/30/2023	Compliance CaseClosing Lette	r* NLRB	- GC
01/24/2023	Conformed Settlement Agreeme	nt Bilateral*	NLRB - GC
06/14/2022	Initial Letter to Charged Party*	NLRB - GC	
06/14/2022	Initial Letter to Charging Party*	NLRB - GC	
06/14/2022	Signed Charge Against Employe	r* NLRB	- GC.

You assumed financial responsibility for the processing of your request in the amount of \$37.00. You also requested a fee waiver.

We acknowledged your request on September 11, 2023. A member of my office called you and left messages on September 11 and September 18, 2023, to clarify the scope of your request. Having not heard back from you, we have interpreted your request to be for complete copies of the five records you specifically mentioned.

A search of the Agency's electronic casehandling system, NxGen, has been conducted. This search has located the requested records, which are attached.

After a review, I have determined that certain information in the attached records is exempt from disclosure under Exemptions 6 and 7(C) of the FOIA (5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C)). Specifically, redactions have been made to protect the privacy interests of individuals named in the records. These redactions were made pursuant to FOIA Exemption 6, which protects personally identifiable information the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, and FOIA Exemption 7(C), which protects records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) and (b)(7)(C).

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For the purpose of assessing fees, we have placed you in Category D, the "all other requesters" category, because you do not fall within any of the other fee categories. Consistent with this fee category, you will be assessed charges to recover the reasonable direct costs for searching for the requested records, except that you will not be charged for the first two hours of search. NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(ii)(D). Charges for all categories of requesters are \$9.25 per quarter hour of professional time. 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(d)(2)(i).

Less than two hours of professional time was expended in searching for the requested material. Accordingly, there is no charge for this request. Given that there is no charge for this request, your request for a fee waiver is moot.

You may contact Timothy Bearese, the Attorney-Advisor who processed your request, at (202) 273-3752 or by email at Timothy.Bearese@nlrb.gov, as well as the Agency's FOIA Public Liaison, for any further assistance and/or to discuss any aspect of your request. The FOIA Public Liaison, in addition to the Attorney-Advisor, can further explain responsive and releasable agency records, suggest agency offices that may have responsive records, and/or discuss how to narrow the scope of a request in order to minimize fees and processing times. The contact information for the FOIA Public Liaison is:

Kristine M. Minami, FOIA Public Liaison National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: FOIAPublicLiaison@nlrb.gov

Telephone: (202) 273-0902 Fax: (202) 273-FOIA (3642)

After first contacting the Agency, you may additionally contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA dispute resolution services it offers. The contact information for OGIS is:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS College Park, Maryland 20740-6001 Email: ogis@nara.gov

Telephone: (202) 741-5770 Toll free: (877) 684-6448

Fax: (202) 741-5769

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You may obtain a review of this determination under the NLRB Rules and Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 102.117(c)(2)(v), by filing an administrative appeal with the Division of Legal Counsel (DLC) through FOIAonline at: https://foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home or by mail or email at:

Nancy E. Kessler Platt, Chief FOIA Officer National Labor Relations Board 1015 Half Street, S.E., 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Washington, D.C. 20570 Email: DLCFOIAAppeal@nlrb.gov

Any appeal must be postmarked or electronically submitted within 90 calendar days of the date of this letter. Any appeal should contain a complete statement of the reasons upon which it is based.

Please be advised that contacting any Agency official (including the Attorney-Advisor, FOIA Officer, or the FOIA Public Liaison) and/or OGIS does not stop the 90-day appeal clock and is not an alternative or substitute for filing an administrative appeal.

Sincerely,

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Kristine M. Minami Acting FOIA Officer

Attachment: (17 pages)